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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, APRIL 13TH, 1912.

DESPITE all the evil prognostications of the many who presume to know China and the Chinese, it is interesting to put it no higher—to see how the country is settling down to the new conditions. It may perhaps be true that the vast majority of the people had no definite opinions on the subject of a republican form of government in place of the rule of the Manchu dynasty, and it may be admitted also that a minority have succeeded in imposing their will upon the country. But, having conceded that, it will be recognised that the more intelligent section of the population, if they have not worked for the overthrow of the reigning house, have at any rate accepted the new régime, and as far as they are concerned the establishment of the republic may be described as a popular movement. That the provisional government has lasted so long, and that it has strengthened its position, is surprising to many who predicted the speedy downfall of the new republic, and notwithstanding the outbreaks among the soldiery in the garrison towns, the situation in China cannot be regarded as less hopeful than was to be expected. A President has been unanimously elected by a National Assembly, a Cabinet composed of members of the late opposing parties has been formed, and the beginnings of a stable form of government have been laid, and that with comparatively little opposition. Indeed, the fact that so much has been accomplished without any serious rupture gives promise that the

transformation is likely to proceed on fairly smooth lines, that is to say, smooth lines for China. There will doubtless be dissatisfaction—no scheme propounded by human agency could ever please every one; there will doubtless be local risings and revolts, a habit, by the way, of disappointed politicians and office-seekers as well as of the more robust characters who find the restraint of government too irksome, and there will be innumerable difficulties and misunderstandings to overcome; but if the Provisional Government maintain their present high ideals there is little reason to fear that China will not successfully work out her destiny. It may be said that there is a danger that the love of the supreme power held at present by high-placed officials may lead to a dictatorship which would be worse than the misrule of the Manchus, or to an oligarchy which would be equally bad for the country. Doubtless such a possibility exists, but it may be questioned if either the President or his colleagues in office would dare depart seriously from the lofty ideals which they have set themselves, or from the example of self-abnegation which has been afforded them by Dr. Sun Yat Sen, who demitted the office of President in order to give place to the man who was regarded as having the administrative ability necessary to guide China through her difficulties, and by General Li Yuan HUNG, who effaced himself in order that unanimity might be attained in the selection of a Minister for War. In China it has always been said that the monarch ruled by the will of the people, and the last edict of the deposed Emperor stated that he bowed to the will of the people in abdicating the Throne, so that even if a strong man usurp the position of dictator, no matter whether he be a benevolent despot or not, it is doubtful if he would be able long to resist the will of the people, or the will of that portion of the people who take a keen interest in the government of the country. The people have at length discovered their strength, and though provincial prejudices and differences may keep them apart for a time, they may be trusted to see that the reforms which they have been led to expect are brought about in course of time. The criticism of their countrymen and the opinion of Foreigners will prove a corrective to any tendency to lapse from the paths of that democratic form of government which is foreshadowed for the land, and the fact that practically no finger was raised on behalf of the Manchu dynasty by the people themselves proves clearly that the Chinese, if they have not developed their plans sufficiently to put into words all that they hope to achieve, know at least what they do not want, so that it is safe to presume that any government which does not follow constitutional lines in future will be short-lived. Of course, too much is not expected at present, and though the new régime may be far from satisfactory, judged from the constitutional point of view, there seems to be little cause for any gloomy forebodings, as those interested in constitutional government seem to be confident in the good intentions of the President, the Advisory Council, and the other officials working with them, especially, too, as events have developed so far with greater rapidity and much more smoothly than could have been hoped for by those who are acquainted with the conditions obtaining in China.

The first gymkhana of the Hongkong Gymkhana Club this season takes place this afternoon, and the lists of entries for the six events give promise of an interesting meeting.

A woman who attempted to commit suicide and was detained in Victoria Gaol was yesterday removed to the Tung Wah Hospital as she was found to be suffering from leprosy.

Yesterday two dumped bodies were reported to the police, both having apparently died from smallpox. One was picked up at Hungnam and the other was found on the hillside at Yau-mati.

A rich coolie met with a peculiar accident yesterday. While sitting in his ricksha on the street near 330, Queen's Road a bamboo fell from a house above and struck him on the head. He received injuries which necessitated his removal to the hospital.

A Tientsin paper understands that the *Shuntien*, on her last trip, brought up silver to the value of Tls. 1,000,000, which was guarded by Russian soldiers, and was taken up to Peking by train soon after her arrival. The silver was contained in 311 boxes.

The armoured cruiser *Minotaur* is to be recommissioned at Colombo on the arrival of a new crew in the *Spartiate* about the end of May, for further service as flagship of the China Station. The new crew will be drawn from the Portsmouth Royal Naval Barracks, and the *Spartiate* will leave England on April 23rd.

General Baden-Powell, of Mafeking fame, and founder of the Boy Scout movement, is coming down from Japan on the German Mail steamer *Luetzow*.

Inspector Kerr is to succeed Inspector Langley in charge of the Water Police, and Inspector Cameron is transferred from the Peak to Yau-mati, while Sergt. Davitt goes from the Central to the Peak.

Messrs. Christie sold on 1st ult. porcelain, objects of art, and decorative furniture, the property of the late Sir Thomas Lucas, the late Sir W. Neville Abdy, and others. The following were included in the lots:—A Chinese six-leaf lacquer screen, Kang-He, £204 (Saville); a famille vert vase, enamelled with ladies and boys on a terrace, and with a river scene round the neck, Kang-He, £152 5s. (Larkin); a Nankin large cylindrical vase, wood stand, £100 10s. (de Penia); a pair of Chinese powdered blue bottles, £84 (Howard).

Members of the Hongkong Police Force foregathered at the Police Recreation Club yesterday to bid farewell to Inspector A. C. Langley, who has retired after 22 years' service. Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, Deputy Superintendent of Police, in bidding farewell to the popular officer, on behalf of his comrades, spoke highly of the popularity he had earned, both in the execution of his duty and on the field of sport. He wished him *bon voyage*, and a successful career in whatever field of life he happened to enter. Inspector Langley briefly responded and referred specially to the wonderful improvement in the Police Recreation Club since the headquarters had been established in Happy Valley. Inspector Langley and his family leave for Home by the English mail to-day.

THE MATCHED ON "THE FINEST SITE."

The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., has given notice of his intention to ask the following questions at the meeting of the Legislative Council, which is convened for Monday:—

With reference to the matched, which is being put up on the plot of land to the West of the Hongkong Club, will the Hon. the Director of Public Works state:—

- (1) Who is erecting the said matched;
- (2) For what purpose the said matched is being erected and subject to what terms and conditions;
- (3) For what reason the said matched contains two stories;
- (4) Whether any rent is to be paid by anybody, and, if so, by whom for the use and occupation of the said matched;
- (5) Whether it is intended that any, and, if so, how many coolies and/or workmen should be housed in the said matched, and for what reason or reasons;
- (6) If the said matched is being erected in connection with the carrying out of any Public Work, what is the nature of such Public Work, and what is the contract-time and contract-price for the completion of the same;
- (7) Why are bricks being piled up on the ground to the North of the said matched?

These questions presumably were formulated a few days ago. Yesterday we noticed that a mountain of sand, blocks of granite, and a large collection of scaffolding poles had been added to the embellishments of the site. It is evidently intended to be no temporary business, as the matched is being provided with a tiled roof. Mr. Pollock's questions will be read with much satisfaction, and the answers to them will be awaited with great interest. It is said that the object of all these preparations is to put a granite border with an iron railing to the garden plot.

BILLIARDS.

83 COMPANY R.G.A. V. HONGKONG VOLUNTEERS.

The concluding games of this round were played on Thursday evening. The full scores are:—

| HONGKONG VOLUNTEERS. | |
|-----------------------|-------|
| Captain Lammer | 250 |
| Corpl. Bullock | 220 |
| Colour Sergt. Rodgers | 250 |
| Private Barlow | 250 |
| Private Philippe | 250 |
| Private Bishop | 250 |
| Private Hamilton | 228 |
| Mr. McLennan | 250 |
| Total | 1,948 |
| 83 COMPANY R.G.A. | |
| Gunner Weatherall | 128 |
| Sergeant Holliday | 250 |
| Gunner Thomas | 138 |
| Gunner Groombridge | 121 |
| Gunner Cookman | 155 |
| Gunner Cairne | 154 |
| Sergt. Erwood | 250 |
| Gunner Tyrrell | 226 |
| Total | 1,422 |

THE BANDMANN OPERA COMPANY.

Last evening there was a large audience at the Theatre Royal to witness the production by the Bandmann Opera Company of the musical play "The Girl in the Train." The performance was indeed a creditable one, and the principal parts were admirably sustained by Messrs. Bobby Roberts, Frith, McGrath, Coyne, and Farmer, and Misses Marjorie Tempest, Violet Frampton, and Poole. To-night the Company give another performance of "The Mouse."

TELEGRAMS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

HOME RULE FOR IRELAND.

MR. ASQUITH INTRODUCES BILL.

SCENE IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

LONDON, April 12th.

There was a great rush for seats in the House of Commons on Thursday afternoon, all being taken, and also many in the galleries soon after the House opened.

The House was crowded, but not so great as when the two previous Bills were introduced, no chairs being placed on the floor as in 1893 and 1894.

Mr. Asquith, on entering, was received with a volley of cheers from the Ministerialists and Nationalists, Mr. Redmond being warmly welcomed by the Nationalists, and the Unionists stood to cheer Sir Edward Carson. Shortly afterwards Mr. Bonar Law was similarly applauded.

Mr. Asquith, on rising, received another great ovation. He said it was 10 years since Mr. Gladstone introduced the last of his measures to provide for the better government of Ireland. That speech contained a perfect exposition of the historic case as between Great Britain and Ireland. He would not pretend to cover the same ground, but before he entered upon an explanation of the provisions of the Bill he would take up the narrative at the point at which Mr. Gladstone left off and ask the House how far the case for and against Home Rule had been affected, one way or the other, by the course of events since 1893. Dealing first with the question from the Irish standpoint, he said that since the extension of the franchise in 1884 there had been eight general elections. The fortunes of parties had ebbed and flowed, governments had come and gone, they had had peace and war, shifting issues and changing policies, but throughout the welter and confusion one thing had remained constant, namely, the insistence and persistence of the Irish demand for Home Rule. He emphasised the preponderant character of the vote given in favour of Home Rule in Ireland. Let them look at Ulster. (Opposition cheers.) Seventeen Unionists and 18 Home Rulers were returned for Ulster. (Ministerial cheers.) These figures were quite sufficient to show the misleading character of the pretence that Ulster would die rather than assent to Home Rule. (Ministerial cheers.) He never under-estimated the strength and the determination of the resistance to Home Rule in Ulster. It was a factor which no sane and prudent statesman could leave out of account, and he hoped to presently show that they had not ignored it in framing the Bill. They could not, however, admit the right of a relatively small minority, especially when care had been taken to safeguard their special interests, to veto the verdict of a vast majority of their fellow-countrymen. He reviewed the progress of Ireland since 1893, and pointed out that it deprived the Unionists of many of their arguments. Every year had emphasised the imperative need for the emancipation of the Imperial Parliament from local cares, and they would never get the separate concerns of the different parts of the United Kingdom treated with adequate time, knowledge and sympathy until they had the courage and the wisdom to hand them over to their special representatives. He laid stress upon the congestion of the business of the House of Commons under the existing system, and asked how they meanwhile were discharging their duty to the Empire at large. He referred to the creation of the Commonwealth of Australia, the grant of self-government to the Transvaal, and to the Union of South Africa. The case of the Transvaal was strictly analogous to that of Ireland, and he would be a bold man who would assert that the case of Ulster presented more difficulty than that of Boer and Briton living side by side in territory just recovered from an internecine war.

PROVISIONS OF THE BILL.
Then he came to the Bill itself. It was expressly stipulated in the first clause that the supreme authority of the Imperial Parliament remained unimpaired. An Irish Parliament was to be established consisting of a Senate and a House of Commons. It would have power to pass laws for the peace, order and good government of Ireland. It would only have power to make laws respecting matters exclusively relating to Ireland. The list of excluded matters with which the Parliament would not be able to deal in the last Home Rule Bill was maintained with certain additions, including the Land Purchase, Old Age Pensions, Insurance, Constabulary and Post Office Savings Acts. The constabulary was,

however, to be automatically transferred after six years. With regard to old age pensions and insurance, power was given to the Irish Parliament to demand a transfer of these services after a year's notice. The Irish Parliament could not alter the Home Rule Bill itself or alter the power to appeal to the Privy Council. There were special provisions for the protection of religious equality, while the third clause stipulated that in the exercise of its powers the Irish Parliament shall not make laws to either directly or indirectly establish or endow any religion or to prohibit the free exercise of or give preference or privilege to any religion or make any religious ceremony a condition of validity of any marriage. The Lord Lieutenant had power to veto or suspend a bill on instruction from the Imperial Executive. Any question as to the interpretation of the Home Rule Act and its application was to be settled by appeal to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council. The Senate would consist of 40 members and the House of Commons of 164, of whom Ulster would have 59 and the Universities two. The Senate was to be a nominated body, and in view of the special circumstances in Ireland it was very desirable to get into the Senate representatives of the minority. The Senate would be nominated in the first instance by the Imperial Executive for a fixed term, but as they retired in rotation the vacancies would be filled on the nomination of the Irish Executive, and where there was a disagreement between the two Houses they had followed the South African precedent. The two Houses would sit and vote together. The head of the Executive would be the Lord Lieutenant, as at present, but there would be no religious bar and he would hold office for a fixed term. The authority of the Executive would be co-extensive with the authority of the Irish Parliament. Turning to finance, Mr. Asquith said the Government were unable to adopt the scheme suggested by the Special Committee appointed to investigate the financial relations, but had derived great benefit from that report. He emphasised that under the existing system it was to nobody's interest in Ireland to economise. Next year there would be a deficit of a million and a half sterling on Irish administration, and if the present system continued the deficit would be added to year by year. The Bill anticipated the future when the Irish income and expenditure would balance, and provision was made for that state of affairs. Meanwhile the collection of all taxes would remain an Imperial service and would be paid to the Imperial Exchequer. It was provided that there should be transferred from the Imperial to the Irish Exchequer a sum called "the transferred sum," representing the cost, as determined by a board called the Joint Exchequer Board, to the Imperial Exchequer of Irish Services at the time of the passing of the Act. There would be further paid over to Ireland half a million sterling for the first year, diminishing by £50,000 yearly to £200,000. The postal service would be made an Irish service, and Ireland would get the benefit of all economies made in her administration. The Irish Parliament would have full powers to devise new taxes and to increase, reduce or discontinue the Imperial taxes subject to the following restrictions:—First as regards the income tax, estate duties, customs duties other than customs duties on beers and spirits, it would be unable to add more than would produce a ten per cent. increase in the yield. As regards the excise, its hands would be free. In the second place, it could not impose customs duty except on articles liable to duty in the United Kingdom. In the third place, there were certain stamp duties which ought to be uniform throughout the United Kingdom, and, fourthly, any reduction or increase of Imperial taxes would be subject to the sum corresponding to the diminished or increased yield thus caused. The Irish representation at Westminster would be reduced to 42, namely, one member for every 100,000 of the population. The Irish universities would cease to be represented in the Imperial Parliament. The House of Commons must continue to be the House of Commons of the United Kingdom, and Irish members would have an unfettered right to vote. Quoting from Mr. Bonar Law's speech about "treacherous conspiracy," he said that was the new style. (Cheers and counter-cheers.) It was true, Mr. Asquith retorted, that that was all very well for Ulster, but how about the House of Commons?

Mr. Bonar Law was understood to say that he had already said so in the House of Commons itself.
Mr. Asquith—Am I to understand that Mr. Bonar Law is prepared to repeat in the House of Commons that I and my colleagues are selling our convictions?

Mr. Bonar Law—You have not got any (Opposition cheers and uproar.)

Mr. Asquith—Does Mr. Bonar Law mean we are producing a Bill which does not represent our views? What am I and my colleagues to get? (Cries of "Office" and "Nationalist votes.") Mr. Asquith firmly repudiated the suggestion that they were surrendering their convictions and soiling, for all time, their personal and political honour. They had brought forward this Bill as the embodiment of their honest and deliberate judgment.

On resuming his seat the Premier was accorded another ovation. He spoke for two hours.

THE DEBATE.

Sir E. Carson denounced the proposals of the Bill as ridiculous and fantastic, and said the so-called safeguards were delusions. Was Mr. Asquith going to submit the Bill to the country? Or would he assert that the Bill had been before the country?

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald approved the Bill.

Mr. Redmond heartily approved the measure. It was idle, he said, to tell the House that the safeguards were useless. From a financial point of view alone the Bill ought to commend itself to Englishmen. Speaking also for his colleagues he declared that this was a great measure and one adequate to carry out the objects of its promoters, and they welcomed it. The Bill would be submitted to the Irish National Convention and he unhesitatingly urged the Convention to accept it.

Mr. O'Brien, while reserving judgment on the details, approved the Bill generally and appealed to Ulster Unionists to accept it as an honourable settlement of the Irish Question.

THE ATTITUDE OF THE PARTIES.

The feature of the debate was the absence of passion and excitement, and this is interpreted by the Liberals papers as betokening that the controversy has passed from the heroic to the practical stage. One journal even suggests that there is already talk of an arrangement with the Lords with a view to carrying the Bill through this year.

The measure is hailed by the Liberal papers as most inspiring to the Party. It is pointed out that there are no signs of the formation of "caves." Mr. Clifford Cory is the only Liberal opponent. Two other members of the party are doubtful. Otherwise the Party is unanimous, despite some criticism of the nominated Senate proposal. It is expected, however, that this may be amended in the course of the debate. Some advocate the election of Senators and proportional representation.

The attitude of the Unionists is frankly irreconcilable. They are delighted with Sir Edward Carson's speech, which they consider is alone sufficient to smash the Bill. They consider the Bill unworkable, and sarcastically describe the measure as establishing "Freedom under Police Supervision." The finance of the Bill is condemned as unintelligible, and the Unionist papers are confident that the Bill will swell the rising tide of anti-government feeling in Great Britain. Some of the papers analyse the South African constitution to prove that there is no analogy with Ireland.

THE COAL STRIKE.

LONDON, April 12th.

The men in South Wales are returning to work in large numbers in deference to the manifesto of their leaders.

LATER.

The Wigan coalfield was quiet yesterday, the workers being uninterrupted.

VOLCANO ERUPTION IN PANAMA.

LONDON, April 12th.

A fruit steamer which has arrived at Mobile, Alabama, reports that thousands were killed and numbers of Indian villages destroyed by the eruption of Chiriqui Peak, in Panama.

STEAMER "AUGSBURG" REPORTED DRIFTING.

LONDON, April 12th.

The steamer *Augsburg*, which has been missing for some time, is reported to be drifting in latitude 36 north, and longitude 66 west. The steamer *Bremen* is searching.

THE RIFLE-SIGHT QUESTION.

LONDON, April 12th.

The whole question of rifle-sights, which caused a good deal of dispute between English and Canadian riflemen, will be dealt with at a conference to be held at Ottawa on the 24th inst. The English delegates, Colonels Barrow and Crosse, leave for Ottawa to-morrow.

TELEGRAMS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE U.S. PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN.

A BOISTEROUS CONVENTION.

LONDON, April 12th.

A telegram from Bay City, Michigan, states that at the Republican State Convention, the Taft supporters gained early possession of the hall, and excluded the Roosevelt supporters, who rushed the doors and climbed in through the windows. When the chairman of the Taft party rose, the leader of the Roosevelt faction leaped on to the platform, and began to speak, but was thrown off by the opposing chairman. A free fight ensued, but the police and militia restored order. The Roosevelt men withdrew after choosing their delegates. Taft supporters selected a rival delegation.

ROOSEVELT FOR ILLINOIS AND MAINE.

Col. Roosevelt has won a great victory over the Taft election delegates of Illinois for the presidential convention, thus stimulating the hopes of the ex-president's supporters.

A wire from Bangor states that the Maine Republican Convention has selected ten Roosevelt supporters for the National Convention. This means a clean sweep of Maine, as the first district has already elected two Roosevelt men.

THE RUMOURED DEATH OF THE POPE.

A TELEGRAPHIC ERROR.

LONDON, April 12th.

Reuter's correspondent at Madrid wires that the mistake in announcing the death of the Pope was due to an employee of the Nunciature receiving a telegram announcing the death of his father. The telegraph authorities misread the word "papa" as meaning "Pope," and they informed Don Canalejas, the Premier, who told the journalists.

King Alfonso and his Ministers sent a message of condolence to the Nuncio, who discovered the mistake.

THE WAR IN TRIPOLI.

LONDON, April 12th.

A message from Rome states that a new point has been occupied in Tripoli peninsula, as the troops of General Macabaz, on the 11th inst., occupied Fort Bucheloo unresisted.

NOTTINGHAM ELECTION.

LONDON, April 12th.

Sir J. D. Rees (Unionist) and Mr. Dobson, an ex-member for Plymouth (Liberal), are the candidates for East Nottingham.

DEATH OF MR. MORGAN PHILLIPS.

We regret to notice in the Shanghai papers the announcement of the death of Mr. T. Morgan Phillips, barrister-at-law, which occurred unexpectedly last Saturday morning. About six weeks ago, Mr. Phillips returned from home, after a year's furlough, apparently in excellent health and spirits; but shortly after his return, the *N. Y. Daily News* says, the strain of work began to tell upon him, and for some days past his condition had been such as to necessitate medical attendance. On Friday night, Mr. Phillips went to bed, apparently well, but when his servant entered his bedroom with tea on the following morning, he found his master lying dead in bed. At his side, on the bed, was a book, which he had been reading, probably up to the time of his death; and everything pointed to the fact that he had passed away quite peacefully, from *angina pectoris*, from which he had been suffering for some time; a further examination of the body at the mortuary confirming the fact that this was the cause of death. A very sad and pitiful circumstance in connection with Mr. Phillips' death is that he had only recently taken up his residence in his house in Love Lane, to prepare for the reception of his wife and children, who were expected to arrive from Europe last Monday by the *N. D. L. S. Kleit*.

Educated privately, Mr. Phillips, who was 50 years of age, matriculated at Trinity Hall, Cambridge, and was called to the Bar, Middle Temple, in June, 1883. For some years he followed his profession as a barrister on the South Wales circuit and, arriving in Shanghai in June, 1893, joined the office of Mr. W. V. Drummond, and was shortly afterwards admitted as a partner to the firm of Drummond, Phillips and White-Cooper. After three years' practice in Shanghai, during which he gained great respect as an advocate and equal popularity in sporting circles, he proceeded to Tientsin and thence to Hongkong, where he practised at the Bar from December, 1901, until November, 1903. Returning to Shanghai more than eight years ago, he rejoined his former partners and had since been ever prominent as an advocate in the British Courts, the Court of Consuls, and the Mixed Court.

SUPREME COURT.

Friday, April 12th.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

Before Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz (Puisne Judge).

AMENDING A WRIT.

This was a case in which Berblinger & Co. sued A. Weingarten for \$100 balance due for goods supplied. Mr. Wilson appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. F. X. D'Almada e Castro for the defendant.

His Lordship said—In this case a writ had been issued for a certain amount due on a running account, and owing to a projected settlement the case had been taken out of the list and adjourned *sine die*. While the case was still pending, the plaintiffs discovered another item belonging to the previous year which had not been paid. They thereupon issued a fresh writ. I think plaintiff's procedure was wrong. The first action is still pending, the defendant objects to being troubled with this action, and I think rightly, and the proper course would have been to restore the case to the list and apply for leave to amend. I think defendant is entitled to a stay of this action with the costs to which he has been put. Plaintiff can have leave to amend the writ if he wishes. I must stay this action with costs. Mr. D'Almada—At least your Lordship will allow me to be heard on the plaintiffs' application for leave to amend.

His Lordship—Yes, if you like. Mr. D'Almada—I cannot consent to leave to amend at present.

His Lordship—You oppose the application?

Mr. D'Almada—I do, my Lord.

Mr. Wilson—The effect of that, my Lord, would be that plaintiffs would be shut out entirely from any remedy.

Mr. D'Almada—Defendant is entitled to all his defences, and this is one.

His Lordship—You are entitled to raise it, of course.

Mr. D'Almada—And I submit that defendant is not entitled to amend that first writ now without giving notice to me.

His Lordship—Application has not even been made yet?

Mr. D'Almada—No.

His Lordship—I think you had better apply in Chambers.

Mr. D'Almada—Notice must be given to me because I have never yet represented defendant in the first case.

SOLDIER AND DENTIST.

Mr. Russ brought up the case in which Messrs. Kew Brothers sued Sergeant Welford for balance due for dental services.

Mr. Russ said—Your Lordship in a long judgment came to the conclusion that before we could proceed to judgment we had to give the soldier notice under the Army Act.

His Lordship—I know nothing about this case.

Mr. Russ—I understood it was in the list.

His Lordship—Well, I have not got it on my list.

Mr. Russ—Can I apply to have it put in the list?

His Lordship—The whole practice is wrong. Notice should have been given to the Registrar.

Mr. Russ—I thought it had been given.

His Lordship—I think I will call this case now formally, and then adjourn it for a week. If you had given the proper notice, there would have been no trouble; but as it is, I think it will have to go in the list.

The case was adjourned to next Friday.

THE EXTRADITION CASE.

The Chief Justice has granted a rule nisi in the case in which application has been made to extradite Vicente Sotto for a crime alleged to have been committed in the Philippine Islands, requiring the Captain Superintendent of Police in Hongkong to show cause why the prisoner should not be discharged.

Argument in the case will be heard before the Full Court on Thursday next.

DEATH OF MRS. F. S. CLARKE.

The *Straits Times* of the 3rd instant says—We have been informed by Mr. Adis, of Messrs. Adis and Ezekiel, share brokers, Singapore, that a wire has been received by the local agents of the P. and O. Company to the effect that Mrs. F. S. Clarke, who was a passenger on the *s.s. Nile*, died on shore at Port Said, yesterday. Much sympathy will be felt for Mr. F. S. Clarke in his sudden bereavement. It is all the more so because Mrs. Clarke had made arrangements to go home to join his wife about the end of the year. Out of respect the offices of Messrs. Adis and Ezekiel, with whom Mr. Clarke is engaged, were closed for the afternoon. Mrs. Clarke had not been in the best of health for some time, but previous to her departure for home she had improved greatly, and it was thought that the sea voyage would enable her to regain the old country in the best of health. Her many friends in Singapore and also in Hongkong, where she was very well known, will learn with regret the news of her sudden death.

[Mr. Clarke, who left Hongkong about two years ago, was sub-accountant in the International Bank. The deceased lady who became his wife was known to many in Hongkong as Miss Geary, who was for some time a nurse at the Victoria Hospital.—Ed. H.D.P.]

MACAO NOTES.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

CRUSADE AGAINST MOSQUITOS. A Committee appointed some months ago to make an investigation into tropical diseases from which the Colony suffers has made its report to the Governor. It deals mainly with malaria and recommends the adoption of measures for the extermination of the malarial mosquito. It specially advises the covering in of wells.

THE FIRE-CRACKER INDUSTRY.

The making of fire-crackers is one of the principal industries remaining in the Colony, but those engaged in it have recently been experiencing great difficulty in procuring the materials of manufacture. These come from neighbouring villages, but it appears that in some way or other the materials are prevented from reaching Macao and are returned to the villages whence they come. I understand that many representations have been made to the Customs, but without result, and that it is now intended to make representation to the Government of Macao, which is a step that should have been taken at the outset.

A SALT WATER RESERVOIR.

Messrs. Macdonald & Co., of Hongkong, have been chosen to make a salt water reservoir at Guia Hill and to lay mains from it to the city. This water is for use in case of fire in the city.

GIRL SCOUTS.

A company of Portuguese girl scouts has been formed in the Colony. The number enrolled, I understand, is about two dozen. They are to have their first field day at Calowan, the lair of the bad, bold pirates. A full account of the operations will be eagerly awaited!

THE RELIEF OF THE POOR.

In the old days an association known as the "Associação Piedosa de S. Francisco Xavier" was founded in Macao by merchants and navigators. It became a wealthy society and down to two years ago it rendered substantial assistance to the poor of the Colony. About two years ago, the house property belonging to the Association became vacant and, as I wrote at the time, the Association was obliged to stop their charity. The circumstances of the Association have improved since then, and in view of the acute distress prevailing among the poor of the Colony the Committee of the Association might be reminded that the relief of the poor is one of the objects of the Association.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Sr. Sanchez de Miranda, a Captain in the Artillery, who was the Portuguese Delegate at the Opium Conference at The Hague, is on his way out to Macao.

Mr. J. Telles Brandao, of the Chinese Maritime Customs, has died at his residence after a short illness, leaving a widow and three children to mourn his loss.

The electric lighting in the city is now giving satisfaction, and it is hoped that it will continue to do so.

It is understood that the trial of the late Postmaster-General and his assistant, who have been in prison about twelve months awaiting trial, is to take place this month.

The dredger *Canton River* is now working opposite the Praia Grande. The channel has been made.

The Public Works Department are asking for plans for eight houses. Though the notice does not state the locality, I understand that it is proposed to erect these houses at Tap-sac, near the Avenida Vasco da Gama.

INTERPORT GOLF.

SHANGHAI CHALLENGE CUP.

The competition for the Shanghai Challenge Cup was held on Sunday on the links of the Shanghai Golf Club, the competing teams being from the Royal Hongkong Golf Club, the Shanghai Golf Club and the Shanghai Junior Golf Club. Great interest was taken in the event, says the *N. C. Daily News*, and large crowds watched the play. The conditions were thirty-six holes, medal play, for teams of five men, the best three scores of each team to count. Eighteen holes were played in the forenoon and eighteen in the afternoon, and at the close it was announced that the Shanghai Club had again won the trophy, the margin of twenty-one points being the same as in the previous year. The scores were as follow:

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|----------------------|-----|
| Shanghai Golf Club:— | |
| J. B. Ferrier | 166 |
| C. M. G. Burnie | 179 |
| H. R. Honeyman | 182 |
| Total | 527 |

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|----------------------------|-----|
| Royal Hongkong Golf Club:— | |
| A. W. Walkinshaw | 178 |
| T. S. Forrest | 185 |
| J. Clarke | 185 |
| Total | 548 |

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|-----------------------------|-----|
| Shanghai Junior Golf Club:— | |
| F. Ferrier | 187 |
| E. Lawson Grey | 191 |
| F. Tower | 195 |
| Total | 573 |

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE PROPOSED PUBLIC HOUSE TRUST.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

SIR,—In the *Straits Times* of March 23rd there appeared an account of the proposed Public House Trust for Hongkong wherein the objects and hopes of the promoters were set forth.

It is a large project with worthy aims, but for its success the help and sympathy of all classes is necessary, and this co-operation is likely to be withheld unless the public are convinced that a practical, businesslike and successful issue is assured.

To this end, with your permission, I would criticise the article as published. 1a.—The "only present" incentive to excessive drinking—if incentive it can be called—is in the number of places where drinks can be obtained, and while I am not aware that Hongkong has a disproportionate number, it is other parts of the world the delimitation of licences has not proved a success to this end.

The "supply of liquors of good quality" is far more likely to prevent the ill-effects of excessive drinking, for better liquors means, in many places, slightly enhanced prices, and therefore a smaller quantity of drink obtainable for the same amount of money. The effects of good liquors also are seldom pernicious.

1b.—The profits from the sale of liquors from which the community would benefit are problematical and could only be very, very small.

Government seldom works so thriftily as private ownership, and it is a mistaken idea to imagine that more than normal profits are made in supplying good liquors at popular prices to the tenants of the present public houses. It is not money, and it is only by serving inferior liquors that they make a living for themselves and family: rates and rents, and duties and licence, and loss of the female help of their family have to be considered.

1c.—To secure "a better class of public house manager" you must make salary, and conditions, and prospects attractive to the better class man. This means added expense and reduced profit.

1d.—The alternatives to be provided in place of intoxicants will not have a large sale, and only a moderate one when offered at smaller prices than intoxicants. The profits also would be smaller.

1e.—If properly conducted the recreations should give a small revenue over expenses, but unless initiated and carried on in right lines and on a decent scale they will be a farce.

All public houses are not likely to be provided with a billiard table, and the "literature" will resolve itself into the covers of one or two weeklies! The East is a slack place and most people want things done for them: few take recreation for its own sake, but make it competitive and enthusiasm is aroused, and this requires organisation.

2c.—In submitting their recommendations and proposing to guarantee a 4 per cent. dividend on debentures, does the Committee seriously consider this sufficiently attractive for any but philanthropists?

Most people with money to invest prefer a greater risk for greater profits—and Shanghai Municipal Debentures pay 6 per cent.

If investors do not respond where is the money coming from?

4.—Is this suggestion fair? If one is obliged to give up a possible 10 per cent. investment why should he be obliged to accept a 4 per cent. one in exchange? And while "the compensation should not be large" it should certainly be equivalent to the amount invested.

A fairly extensive knowledge of the "game" convinces me that positively the Trust will not "be worked at a considerable profit" and there will be an immediate loss to the revenue in existing licence fees, and smaller collections of duties.

So far I have only lightly touched on a few of the possible objections that will have to be considered, and I now suggest, without entering into details, alternative practical measures which would go far to accomplish the ends the promoters have in view.

1.—Insist that all liquors shall be of good quality, and genuinely described on the label.

Brandy is not necessarily Cognac, nor should Portuguese Red Wine be labelled port, nor German potato spirit be labelled Fine Old Scotch Whisky.

"St. Emilion" should be pure Bordeaux wine, not from Algeria, which if good enough to masquerade as Bordeaux wine is good enough to be sold under its own name. (This is no reflection on the excellent wines of Algeria, only an illustration of the abuse.)

The definition of each liquor should be such as laid down by the Government of the country of origin.

Thus the Portuguese Government say "Port shall be wine grown on the Douro and shipped from Oporto under an Oporto bill of lading."

Here, then, is your definition, simple, definite, made law by the Government of the country growing the wine, and accepted by experts. The definitions of most spirits were laid down by the Royal Commission on Whisky, and all others are easy to obtain.

Scientists agree that the drinking of good liquors does not induce excessive drinking, while the consumption of inferior liquors commonly does.

Here in one act you partly accomplish your object, for you give the public wholesome liquors which offer less inducement to excess, are less harmful in their effect, and their higher prices (compared with present inferior qualities) will not permit their sale in the lower class houses, which must necessarily close.

Further, you will be meeting the efforts of the authorities throughout the Straits, who have already accomplished much in this direction, and backing the efforts of European Governments who are all working to the same end.

Duties should be charged on the alcoholic strength of liquors, and is the

only fair method as adopted by every European Government.

Make it an offence to serve a drunken man, or to have one on any licensed premises.

Remove the restrictions against barmaids. In Hongkong those women are for economical reasons usually related to the tenant, and it is a base reflection to think they will not conduct themselves properly. Also make preventative restrictions if desirable.

A woman's influence in restraining drunkenness and foul language is much more potent than that of a "boy," and both vices can be made an offence.

These and dozens of improvements could be made if any action at all is taken. The concentrated experiments of all Europe, with the experiences of Eastern conditions are within reach of the Committee, and while I am sure the proposed Trust is, for Hongkong, never likely to be a paying scheme, there is no real difficulty (except the money one) in this or other more practical measures.

With the ample time for preparation there will be no excuse if there cannot be evolved a system as nearly perfect as conditions and our present knowledge of other experiments will permit.—Faithfully yours,

CHARLES E. GARNER.

Singapore, 3rd April, 1912.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

Messrs. Vernon and Smyth in their weekly share report dated April 12th state:—

The firmness of local investment stocks referred to in our last has been well maintained during the past week, and further advances have again to be recorded. Sterling Rubbers have also improved on the period under review, the market closing firm: Fine Hard Para Rubber is quoted from London at 4/11½ per lb. sellers. The Bank of England and open market rates of discount are both quoted at 3½ per cent., and Bar Silver at 27d. per oz. spot, and 27½d. per oz. forward. Sterling T.T. closes at 1/11½ and Shanghai T.T. at 72½.

BANKS.—Hongkong and Shanghai have weakened locally to a selling quotation of \$350, but the London rate remains unchanged at \$353.

MARINE INSURANCES.—Union Insurances have sold and are enquired for at the improved rate of \$66. Cantons have advanced to \$205 with sales and further buyers, and North Chinas to Tls. 145 buyers.

FIRE INSURANCES.—Hongkong after sales at \$332 are now in request at \$333 with no shares obtainable at the moment. Chinas have further improved their position, closing with buyers at \$129 after small sales at \$123 and \$129.

SHIPPING.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao are firm with buyers at \$203, and a slightly higher rate would probably be paid. Indo-Chinas have weakened to a selling quotation of \$78, the London rate being \$77 10s. 6d. middle price. China and Manilla are quiet with probable sellers at \$112 and Douglasses at \$21. Star Ferries continue in request at \$29 (old) and \$18 (new), but no sales are reported. Shell Transports have had a further sharp rise, London now quoting 114/6 middle price ex rights, with local buyers at 112/6.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars have weakened to \$108 with probable sellers. Luzons have been booked at \$31 and close firm.

MINING.—Tronchs are in request at 74/6 to 75/- cum dividend, and Chinese Engineerings at 37/8 to 38/-.

DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have advanced to \$45 buyers, but no shares are yet available. Small sales of Kowloon Wharves are reported at \$57, but at this there are sellers, and a lower rate would probably be accepted. New Amoy Docks continue in request at \$64. Shanghai Docks are quoted in the North at Tls. 34 and Shanghai and Hongkong Wharves at Tls. 83½.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Lands are in request at the improved rate of \$102, and Humphreys Estates at \$71 after sales. Kowloon Lands can be placed at \$341 and West Points at \$534. Hongkong Hotels have improved to \$109 and \$67 buyers for the old and new issues respectively.

COTTON MILLS.—Hongkong are quiet at 85, and Ewos at Tls. 91.

MISCELLANEOUS.—China Borneos are in request at \$10 and China Providents at \$8 with sales. Cements have advanced to \$8 with sales, and sellers at the close. Electricians have been booked at \$22. Peak Trams at \$124 (old) and \$11 (new). Watsons at \$51, and Powells at \$5, all closing in further request. There are buyers of Ropes at \$15 and Ices at \$205. Steam Fisheries have improved to \$34 buyers, and China Lights to \$130 buyers. Langkats close with buyers at Tls. 72½.

LONDON QUOTATIONS.—The following quotations (middle prices) were received by wire from London this morning:—United Serdangs 115/- Batu Tigas 80/- Sapongs 25/- Ledburgs 36/6 London Asiatics 12/3 Linggis 36/6 E. & I. Trusts 3/- premium Rubber Trusts 15/3 premium Tronchs 75/6 Hongkong Electric Trams 3/6 Shell Transports 114/6 ex rights Chinese Engineerings 38/9 Indo-Chinas (combined) 150/- Para Rubber 4/11½ sellers

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The I.G.M. str. *Prinz Waldemar* left Yokohama on the 11th April, at 8 p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 18th April.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD. *Maunang*, from Sandakan, is due in Hongkong 15th April.

Onang, from Chinwangtao, is due in Hongkong 12th April.

Tingpang, from Hongkong, is due in Hongkong 12th April.

Katsang, from Calcutta, is due in Hongkong 11th April.

INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD. *Fulata*, from Singapore, is due in Hongkong to-day.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

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THE Macau Public Works Department will, up to 12 o'clock (Noon) of the 10th day of the coming month of May, receive proposals for the erection of eight (8) dwelling-houses, under the following conditions:

1st. The bidder shall present detailed and complete designs of the construction-type that he proposes to execute, restricting himself to the lot which is disposed for the effect, figured in the Plans which may be seen at the Portuguese Consulate in Hongkong and at the Public Works Department in Macao.

2nd. The type of the buildings will be subordinated only to the following characteristics:

- Each house shall consist of ground-floor, built on an air-case, and first floor;
- It will be destined for family lodgings and shall contain from 5 to 8 interior apartments. Outside the building there shall be the necessary out-houses;
- All houses shall be isolated and independent, and shall be provided with gardens and yards where the said out-houses shall be situated. Twin-houses, that is, those equal to one another and symmetrical, forming only one body of the building, will be admitted, provided they are absolutely independent.

3rd. Each proposal must consist of:

- Complete design (Plans, Elevations, Sections and detailed description of the works);
- Specifications of their execution;
- Price of each complete building.

Within thirty days reckoned from the date on which the reception of the proposals closes, the classification list of the competitors will be published, the same way and in the same places as the present notices are. No claims will be admitted on the classifications.

5th. The conditions for preference are:

- Price per square metre of dwelling;
- Ethnic and hygienic of the buildings;
- Time taken for the conclusion of works.

6th. Designs whose price for each complete building (c. condition 3rd) exceeds five thousand dollars (\$5,000) cannot be considered. By building here is meant the house defined in a and b of condition 2nd.

7th. To the competitors classified in the first place, the adjudication for the erection of the buildings will be granted; the next will be awarded a price of \$500 and the third the price of \$250.

8th. All the designs presented will remain in and become the possession of the Macao Public Works Department, Macao, 6th April, 1912.

A. P. DE MIRANDA GUEDES, Director of Public Works.

THE HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS & CHINA OVERLAND TRADER REPORT is now ready and contains:

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- Leading Articles.
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- China's Finances.
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- Supreme Court.
- Sanitary Board.
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- Miribito Diets.
- Company Reports:—
- Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd.
- China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd.
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Hongkong, 13th April, 1912. [549]

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"MASTER OF MIRACLES."

Hongkong, 12th April, 1912. [557]

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GRAND MATINEES—
SATURDAY and SUNDAY, at 4 P.M.
Hongkong, 10th April, 1912. [58]

HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.
THE FIRST MEETING of the Season
will be held at HAPPY VALLEY,
TODAY (SATURDAY), the 13th APRIL,
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The Charge of Admission will be \$1.00 for
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Soldiers and Sailors in uniform Half-Price.
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to be present.

REGINALD F. C. MASTER,
Hon. Secretary and Treasurer.
Hongkong, 11th April, 1912. [554]

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By Order of the Directors,
LOWE, BINGHAM & MATTHEWS,
Colonial Register.
Hongkong, 4th April, 1912. [550]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF
CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
THIRTY-NINTH ORDINARY
YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be
held at its Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings,
Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 25th APRIL,
1912, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving
the Report of the Directors together with the
Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1911,
and of declaring Dividends, &c.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 13th to the 23rd
April, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 4th April, 1912. [542]

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE CO.,
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
FORTY-SIXTH ORDINARY
YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be
held at its Head Office, No. 2, Queen's
Buildings, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the
25th APRIL, 1912, at 12.30 P.M. for the purpose
of receiving the Report of the Directors
together with the Statement of Accounts to
31st December, 1911, and of declaring
Dividends, &c.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 13th to the 23rd
April, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 4th April, 1912. [543]

INTIMATIONS

G. R.
NOTICE.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that on
and after MONDAY, 15th instant, a
CONSTANT SUPPLY OF WATER will
be TURNED ON in the RIDER MAIN
DISTRICTS.

W. CHATHAM,
Water Authority.

Public Works Department,
Hongkong, 11th April, 1912. [555]

HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB.

THE ANNUAL DINNER will be held
on SATURDAY, the 20th APRIL, at
7.45 P.M. in the HONGKONG HOTEL.
Members intending to be present should
notify the undersigned, giving the number of
guests they intend to invite.

A. HAMILTON,
Hon. Secretary,
Care of SAITHEUN SCHOOL.
Hongkong, 12th April, 1912. [556]

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INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS
Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to
be obtained on application.

TAKEO TAKAMICHI,
Manager.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1912. [443]

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N. J. STABB,
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Hongkong, 21st February, 1912. [19]

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WM. DICKSON,
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Hongkong, 12th April, 1912. [133]

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Hongkong, 13th April, 1912. [122]

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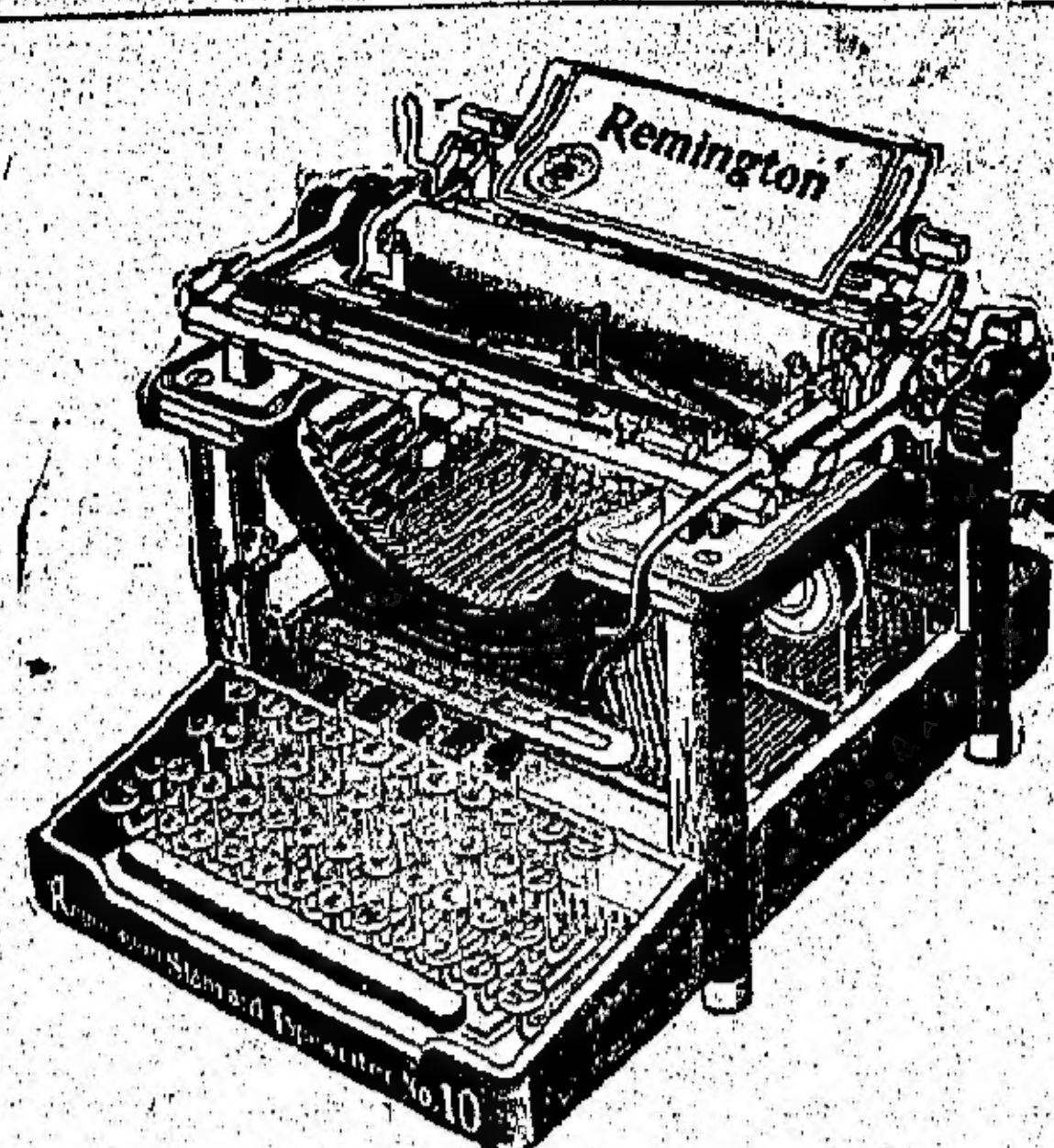
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| ANHUI, British str., 1,350, J. B. Harris, 10th April—Shanghai 7th April, General—Butterfield & Swire. | |
| CARL DIERCKHUSEN, German str., 774, Chr. Jurgensen, 10th April—Haiphong and Hoihow 9th April, General—Jensen & Co. | |
| CHINA, American str., 3,180, Emory Rice, 9th April—San Francisco 12th March, Maile and General—Pacific Mail S.S. Co. | |
| CHIPPING, British str., 1,199, F. Mooney, 10th April—Tientsin 3rd April, General—Chinese. | |
| CHINHOA, British str., 1,970, M. Benson, 10th April—Shanghai 4th April, General—Butterfield & Swire. | |
| CHOWTAI, German str., 1,176, W. Reher, 9th April—Bangkok 29th March, General—Butterfield & Swire. | |
| CHOWKANG, British str., 1,434, N. Courtney, 7th April—Shanghai 3rd April, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co. | |
| DAIJIN MARU, Japanese str., 1,578, D. Fuchigami, 10th April—Swatow 9th April, General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha. | |
| DEUFAR, Norwegian str., 1,102, F. Bing, 13th April—Bangkok and Swatow 10th April, General—Chinese. | |
| EMPEROR OF INDIA, British str., 3,942, E. Beetham, 3rd March—Vancouver, B.C. 7th March, General—Canada Pacific Railway. | |
| FRANCE, Chinese str., 830, M. A. Chih, 8th April—Shanghai 4th April, General—Chinese. | |
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| GERMANIA, German str., 600, C. Tepsen, 10th April—Sydney 1st April, General—Siemens & Co. | |
| GREGORY APOAR, British str., 2,901, J. E. Drake, 8th April—Calcutta 23rd March, General—David Sassoon & Co. | |
| HALDEN, Norwegian str., 1,062, G. Solberg, 7th April—Bangkok 27th March, Rice—HONGKONG, French str., 730, Cornelissen, 10th April—Haiphong 6th April, Rice and General—A. R. Marty. | |
| HONG MOH, British str., 2,555, Gardner, 9th April—Singapore 4th April, General—Chinese. | |
| ISIBORO PONS, American str., 552, F. Yandaro, 8th April—Manila 5th April—Barretto & Co. | |
| KALOMO, British str., 3,000, W. Keasby, 11th April—Shanghai 8th April, General—Bank Line. | |
| KLEONAVI, German str., 1,115, G. Rohler, 10th April—Saigon 6th April, Rice—Butterfield & Swire. | |
| KWANGLOO, Chinese str., 1,468, J. McArthur, 7th April—Shanghai 4th April, General—Chinese. | |
| LAERTES, British str., 1,350, Page, 8th April—Saigon 4th April, General—Chinese. | |
| LEONOR, British str., 1,083, N. G. G. Leask, 11th April—Manila 8th April, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co. | |
| LUCIFER, British str., 1,216, Meathrel, 10th April—Shanghai and Amoy 9th April, General—Butterfield & Swire. | |
| LYEONON, German str., 1,995, Hellerhoff, 4th April—Saigon 30th March, Rice—Hamburg-Amerika Linie. | |
| MADURA, British str., 3,003, R. T. Hersley, 11th April—Barry Dock 24th Feb. Coal—Bank Line. | |
| MAIZAKI MARU, Japanese str., 8,500, T. Murai, 10th April—Singapore 2nd April, General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha. | |
| NINPOU, British str., 1,228, Pickard, 10th April—Heungchow Bay—Butterfield & Swire. | |
| PAKAI, German str., 1,008, J. Wenzel, 11th April—Bangkok via Swatow 3rd April, Wood and Rice—Butterfield & Swire. | |
| PREMIER, British str., 1,060, Jas. H. Scott, 2nd April—Chinese, Rice and General—Chinese. | |
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| QUANTA, German str., 1,143, H. Modou, 9th April—Saigon 6th April, Rice—Sander, Wilder & Co. | |
| SEASCOON, British str., Larkins, 11th April—Rangoon 30th March, General—Chinese. | |
| SHAOHSING, British str., 1,307, W. B. Brown, 8th April—Tientsin 3rd April, General—Butterfield & Swire. | |
| SHIMIZU MARU, Japanese str., 2,576, Motose, 10th April—Nagasaki 4th April—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha. | |
| SIBERIA, American str., 8,555, A. Leeder, 2nd April—San Francisco 5th March, Maile and General—P.M. S.S. Co. | |
| ST. ALBANS, British str., 4,118, W. G. McArthur, 5th April—Australia 3rd April, General—Gibb, Livingston & Co. | |
| TACOMA MARU, Japanese str., 3,930, H. Yamamoto, 10th April—Manila 7th April, Flour and General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha. | |
| TATIANOM, Dutch str., 3,666, P. Zwart, 11th April—Java-China-Japan Linj. | |
| TENTAT, German str., 1,002, Binkling, 8th April—Saigon 3rd April, Rice—Butterfield & Swire. | |
| TUNOUS, Norwegian str., 1,039, C. L. Halversen, 11th April—Wakamatsu 5th April, Coal—Siemens & Co. | |
| TZAIJO MARU, Japanese str., 308, T. Yamaguchi, 6th April—Swatow 5th April, General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha. | |
| YI LOONG, British str., 1,395, E. G. Wrightson, 8th April—Cardiff and Bangkok 1st April—Dodwell & Co. | |
| YUSUN, Chinese str., 1,078, E. H. Pratt, 8th April—Tientsin 2nd April, General—Chinese. | |

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THE PANAMA CANAL

DISQUIETING REPORT—DANGER OF A VOLCANO.

New York, March 18th.
If there is any foundation for the reports from Colon which are printed here this morning, the great Panama Canal, on which the United States has already spent many millions of dollars, stands a chance of being wiped out by an underlying slumbering volcano. Great excitement prevails among the workmen on the canal, owing to the clouds of steam and blue smoke arising from the ground in many of the deep cuts, principally the famous Culebra cut, and the heat in many places is so intense that it quickly chars wood and demolishes paper.

The canal geologist insists that the phenomena are caused by the oxidation of pyrites, but, despite official denials, the rumour about a volcano persists, and much hindrance has already been caused by the refusal of the men to use dynamite in the drill holes, for fear of a premature explosion. The labourers, says one report, know that active volcanoes are not very far off, and they have heard that volcanoes are in the habit of lying dormant in the canal hemisphere for centuries, then suddenly bursting forth—knowledge which has not helped to allay their fears.

Apparently not all officials discredit the volcanic possibilities, as the report of the divisional engineer at the Culebra cut shows. He says in part: "Three weeks ago I noticed material at the locality described consisting of stratified sedimentary rock, among which appeared lignite of low grade, sending up in the early morning quite a thick cloud of white steam vapour. I examined the spot a day or two afterwards, and found steam escaping from numerous small openings and four principal vents, the smallest being 8 in. in diameter and the largest 1 ft. The temperature was so high that the hand could not be held at the mouth of the larger openings for more than a second or two. The sides of the two vents were incrustated with white and yellow powdered material, the yellow appearing to be sulphur. Within the past four or five days the temperature has increased, and pale blue smoke, instead of steam, is now emerging from the vents. An envelope held at the mouth of the largest vent for 8 sec. was totally destroyed, and a piece of white pine held for 8 min. in the mouth of the largest vent was completely charred. A little longer exposure would probably have carbonised it entirely."

It has been announced that the canal will be formally opened some time next year, and the disappointment throughout the country will be great if for any reason the opening is postponed.

MODERN WIVES.

COMPULSORY HOUSEKEEPING LESSONS PROPOSED.

Domestic competency being a reasonable requirement in wives, a German lady has been found so far lost to all proper spirit of freedom—for others—as to advocate a compulsory year of domestic service or training for her sex as a set-off to the military training of men.

It was at a women's congress in Berlin that this daring lady made her opinions known. She suggested that the fulfilment of this year of domestic service should be an essential condition of the right to marry. "No certificate of domestic competency," she concluded, "no marriage." When, however, a *Westminster Gazette* representative asked the superintendent of one of the most important domestic training establishments in London what she thought of the German lady's suggestion, she replied, "such a scheme does not seem to me to be necessary in this country. Englishwomen," she said, "were never more keen on domesticity than they are to-day. The modern woman is before all else a practical woman, and the slipshod methods of the past have given place to a business-like thoroughness. She has awakened to the educational value of household work, and to the fact that no form of manual work is more comprehensive and valuable than household training."

These statements certainly seem to be borne out by the fact that the pupils of the establishment referred to are drawn, as the lady superintendent said, from all classes: "Society women and working women, old and young. We have mothers and daughters working side by side, and we have quite a number of grandmothers. 'It is never too late to learn' is the motto of the modern woman, which is probably why she keeps young so long."

"The Society woman," she continued, "shows a wonderful aptitude for house-keeping. She is not so 'squeamish' as the middle-class woman. One peeress I know could 'draw' a chicken 'without turning a hair.' The scarcity of good domestics has, of course, put mistresses on their mettle and made them anxious to be able to do things for themselves."

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DELTA, British str., 4,780, P. P. Martin, 12th April—Manila, P. I. 6th April, S. N. Co.

HAINUN, British str., 616, Stewart, 12th April—Swatow 11th April, General—Douglas, Lapraik & Co.

KAGOSHIMA MARU, Japanese str., 4,897, W. Wado, 12th April—Mojoi 6th April, Coal—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

LIRCHUM, U.S.A. transport, 1,072, Barklay, 12th April—Manila, P. I. 6th April.

LOCHOW, British str., 12th April—Canton.

MIYUKI, Japanese str., 2,052, M. Yoshikawa, 12th April—Kobe and Moji 6th April, General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

MUYO MARU, Japanese sailing ship, 277, K. Arai, 12th April—Formosa 8th April.

SHANTUNG, Japanese str., 1,535, Robinson, 12th April—Mojoi 6th April, Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

SHANGHAI, British str., 12th April—Canton.

SIAM, British str., 992, R. A. Benns, 12th April—Daly 5th April, General—Arnold, Karberg & Co.

SOSHU MARU, Japanese str., 1,119, K. Sagawa, 12th April—Swatow 11th April, General—Onaka Shosen Kaisha.

TEAN, British str., 1,346, A. W. Outen, 12th April—Manila 6th April, Sugar and Copra—Butterfield & Swire.

TRINIDAD, Dutch str., 3,000, J. W. Bouman, 12th April—Amoy 10th April, Coal and General—Java-China-Japan Line.

WALDHA, British str., 2,553, C. G. Hughes, 12th April—Mojoi 7th April, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE, April 12th.

C. DIERCKHOF, Ger. str., for H'phong.

DELTA, British str., for Singapore.

HONGKONG, French str., for Haiphong.

LUCHOW, British str., for Shanghai.

LUCHOW, German str., for Bangkok.

MILKE MARU, Jap. str., for Calcutta.

SEANGHONG, British str., for Amoy.

VERIMO MARU, Jap. str., for Keelung.

DEPARTURES.

APRIL 13TH.

ASSAYE, British str., for Shanghai.

BELGRAVIA, German str., for Hamburg.

CHIPPING, British str., for Canton.

HAITAN, British str., for Swatow.

KIANGPING, Chinese str., for Shanghai.

KUMANO MARU, Jap. str., for Sydney.

SIAM, British str., for Canton.

SOSHU MARU, Japanese str., for Swatow.

SUVERIO, German str., for Calcutta.

TRIMANOR, Dutch str., for Shanghai.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The Dutch str. *Tijlbodas* reports: A gale in the Formosa Channel.

The British str. *Zeon* reports: Strong N.E. monsoon, rough sea.

The British str. *Nam* reports: Heavy winds to turn about; fresh N.E. breeze with overcast; northerly and clear weather to Hongkong.

The British str. *Delta* reports: Fresh N.E. winds, moderate sea, and overcast heavy weather to Breaker Point; then to port light northerly winds with drizzling rain.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Delta*, for Hongkong, from Shanghai, Mr. and Mrs. D. Hammond and servant, Mr. and Mrs. Brindley and child, Mr. J. Quin, Mr. W. D. Kraft, Mr. A. W. Walkinshaw, Mr. K. M. Cumming, Dr. Ian Chelem, Mr. Paul Stoner and Mr. J. W. Taylor.

Per *Assaye*, for Hongkong, from London, etc., Comdr. Luxmore, Mr. F. W. Foster, Miss Ashby, Hon. M. W. T. Morrison, Rev. and Mrs. F. T. Halcombe, Miss S. W. Elias, Lieut. Col. and Mrs. Waller, Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Stowell, Mr. J. Bain, Mr. W. M. Smith, Mr. G. F. Grant, Mr. Bailey, Miss M. A. Spink, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Wills, Major and Miss Humphreys, Miss E. Hicks, Rev. Bro. James, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Eicke, Dr. Michael, Mr. Blackwood, Mr. A. Caplain, Mrs. Skine, Mr. S. Kals, Dr. Rogaque, Mr. A. Still, Mr. J. A. Hillier, Dr. Denison and Messrs. Hollaway.

DEPARTED.

Per *Haitan*, for Swatow, etc., Mr. W. Watson, Miss R. E. Bellios, Mr. W. Logan and Mr. F. L. Robbins.

Per *Kumano Maru*, for Australia, Mr. Mooser, Mr. Sturtevant, Mrs. Herford, Miss Gurford, Mr. and Mrs. Nicoll, Mrs. Johnson and maid, Mr. Geo. E. Shanahan, Mr. Gordon L. Morse, Mr. and Mrs. Arakoff and child, Mr. Gregorio Aragon, Mr. and Mrs. Larkin, Mr. E. B. Ward, Mr. Bachelder, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Standish, Mr. and Mrs. Clements, Mrs. Skottowe and child, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Carstairs, Mr. J. C. Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. Villa, Mrs. B. H. Macke, Mr. S. G. Bolden, Mr. C. J. Holst, Mrs. M. O. Muir, Mr. G. Jones, Lieut. Oliver, Mrs. Kozaka and child, Mr. W. Gray, Mrs. W. Gray, Mr. F. Zamora, Mr. Kuvashina, Mr. Sudo, Mr. M. L. Ingram, Mr. Kubasaye and Mr. Artemieff.

EXPECTED.

Per *Kitano Maru*, from London 16th March—Mr. J. van Haute, Mrs. A. White, Master H. White, Mrs. Spooner, Mr. G. Macpherson, Mr. C. S. Harvey, Miss Jourdan, Miss J. Barlow, Miss S. Edge, Miss A. Oakes, Miss S. Edge, Mr. and Mrs. K. Tatum and 5 children, Miss A. Ward, Miss E. Ames, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Longmire and child, Miss C. Grieves, Mr. and Mrs. O. Soroko, Dr. M. Miyajima and Mr. H. Shibata.

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| 1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's | 2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier | 3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard | 4. From Naval Yard to East Point |
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| DESTINATION. | VESSEL'S NAMES. | FLAG & REG. | BERTH. |
| LONDON, &c. via USUAL PORTS OF CALL. | DELTA ... | Brit. str. | — |
| LONDON & ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, &c. | SUMATRA ... | Brit. str. | — |
| ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & ANTWERP, &c. | FLINTSHIRE ... | Brit. str. | — |
| ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & ANTWERP, &c. | O. J. D. AHLERS ... | Ger. str. | — |
| ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & ANTWERP, &c. | ASCADIA ... | Ger. str. | — |
| HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG, &c. | G. FRED LAUREN ... | Ger. str. | — |
| HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG, &c. | SCANDIA ... | Ger. str. | — |
| ALGERIES, LONDON & ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, &c. | ASUTSA MARU ... | Jap. str. | — |
| MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c. | SACHSEN ... | Ger. str. | — |
| MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c. | STANTON ... | Ger. str. | — |
| VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA via JAPAN &c. | TACOMA MARU ... | Jap. str. | — |
| VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, &c. | AWA MARU ... | Jap. str. | — |
| VIENNA, GENOA, ALGERS, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, &c. | PANAMA MARU ... | Jap. str. | — |
| TRIESTE, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, &c. | LUETZOW ... | Ger. str. | — |
| NEW YORK, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, &c. | KORBER ... | Ger. str. | — |
| NEW YORK, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, &c. | CHINA ... | Ger. str. | — |
| VANCOUVER, B.C. SEATTLE & PORTLAND, &c. | MONTEBRO ... | Brit. str. | — |
| VANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c. | EMPEROR OF INDIA ... | Brit. str. | — |
| VANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c. | MONTEBRO ... | Brit. str. | — |
| SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI & JAPAN, &c. | SYBERIA ... | Am. str. | — |
| SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI & JAPAN, &c. | CHINA ... | Am. str. | — |
| SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI & JAPAN, &c. | CHINA MARU ... | Jap. str. | — |
| AUSTRALIAN PORTS via MANILA | PIRNE WALDEMAR ... | Ger. str. | — |
| AUSTRALIAN PORTS via MANILA | SHANGHAI ... | Brit. str. | — |
| YOKOHAMA & KOBE via SHANGHAI | SHANGHAI ... | Brit. str. | — |
| YOKOHAMA & KOBE | E. F. FERNAND ... | Am. str. | — |
| YOKOHAMA & KOBE | TENSHIN MARU ... | Jap. str. | — |
| YOKOHAMA & KOBE | FULATA ... | Brit. str. | — |
| YOKOHAMA & KOBE | KITANO MARU ... | Jap. str. | — |
| YOKOHAMA & KOBE | COLEMAN ... | Ger. str. | — |
| NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA | NIKKO MARU ... | Jap. str. | — |
| MEXICAN, PERUVIAN & CHILEAN via JAPAN | HONGKONG MARU ... | Jap. str. | — |
| JAPAN | TYMANOR ... | Dut. str. | — |
| CHIPPING, NEWCHANG | CHIPPING ... | Brit. str. | — |
| SHANGHAI via SWATOW | CHIPPING ... | Brit. str. | — |
| SHANGHAI | CHIPPING ... | Brit. str. | — |
| SHANGHAI, KOBE & MOJI | CHIPPING ... | Brit. str. | — |
| SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA | CHIPPING ... | Brit. str. | — |
| SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA | CHIPPING ... | Brit. str. | — |
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| SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA | CHIPPING ... | Brit. str. | — |
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| SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA | CHIPPING ... | Brit. str. | — |
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| KUDAT & SANDAKAN | CHIPPING ... | Brit. str. | — |
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| FOR | STAMPS | TONS | TO SAIL |
|---|-----------------------------------|--------|---------------------------------|
| NAPLES, GENOA, ALGERS, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP and BREMEN | "LUETZOW" Capt. J. Bortfeldt | 17,300 | Wednesday, 17th April, at Noon. |
| SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA | "PRINZ LUDWIG" Capt. F. O. Friesz | 18,300 | Thursday, the 18th April. |
| MANILA, ANGAUB, YAP, NEW GUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE | "PRINZ WALDEMAR" Capt. H. Bremer | 6,700 | 9 a.m. 20th April. |
| KOBE and YOKOHAMA | "COELENZ" Capt. L. Klugkist | 6,750 | About 30th April. |
| KUDAT and SANDAKAN | "BOERNE" Capt. K. Sembill | 5,000 | Middle of April. |

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Hongkong, 8th April, 1912.

VESSELS ON THE BEAT.

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STEAM FOR STRAITS, OCEAN, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, CONTINENTAL AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICA PORTS. The Steamship

"DELTA," Captain E. P. Martin, R.N.R., carrying 1111 Majestic's Mail, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY TO-DAY, the 13th April, 1912, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports in connection with the Co.'s s.s. "MALOJA," 10,000 tons, from Colombo, passengers accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuable all Cargo for France, Teas and Cargo for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London, other Cargo for London, etc., will be conveyed via Bombay by the s.s. "EGYPT," due in London on the 24th May, 1912.

Parcels will be received at the Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

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For SHANGHAI, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE Steamship "GREGORY APCAR," Captain J. E. Drake, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-DAY, the 13th inst., at Noon.

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Hongkong, 9th April, 1912.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

FOR NEW YORK.

S.S. "MONTROSE" ... On or about 23rd Apr. For Freight and further information, apply to **DODDWELL & Co., LTD.,** Agents. [53]

Hongkong, 2nd April, 1912.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P.M. str. *Manchuria* from San Francisco sailed from Yokohama on the 8th April en route for Hongkong, and is due to arrive here on the 19th April. The American mail has been transferred at Yokohama and will arrive at Hongkong by the N.D.L. str. *Lutzow*.

The T.K.K. str. *Chigo Maru* with U.S. mails, sailed from San Francisco on Wednesday, the 27th ult., and is expected to arrive here on April 23rd.

The P.M. S.S. str. *Nile* sailed from San Francisco on the 3rd April, for Hongkong via Honolulu, etc., and is due to arrive here on the 30th April.

The P.M. str. *Manchuria* left San Francisco on the 10th April, for Hongkong via Honolulu, Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, and is due to arrive at this port on the 7th May.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The E. & A. str. *Eastern* left Sydney on the 10th April for this port (via Queensland Ports, Port Darwin, Timor and Manila).

The I.G.M. str. *Coblenz* left Sydney on the 10th April, at noon, and may be expected here on or about 3rd May.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The C.P.R. Co.'s str. *Empress of Japan* left Vancouver, B.C., for Hongkong (via usual ports of call) on the 5th April, a.m.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

The I.G.M. str. *Prinz Ludwig*, carrying the German mails with date from Berlin of the 20th March, left Colombo on the 6th April, and may be expected here on or about 17th April, p.m.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

The Apar str. *Catherine Apar* from Calcutta left Singapore on the 3rd April, p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 14th April.

THE MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The str. *Zafro* will leave Manila on the 10th April, and is due here on or about 18th April, at daylight.

The N.Y.K. str. *Awa Maru* (American Line) left Shanghai for this port on the 11th April, and is expected here on the 14th April.

The "Ben" Line str. *Benarty* from Leith, Middlesbrough and London left Singapore on the 6th April for this port.

The Seang Line str. *Coronia* left Rangoon on the 5th April for Hongkong via Straits, and is expected to arrive here on the 17th April.

The str. *Glenstrae* will leave Singapore on the 13th April, and is due here on or about 17th April, a.m.

The G.N. str. *Minnesota* left Yokohama for this port via Manila on the 6th April, and is expected here on the 19th April.

The Swedish East Asiatic Co.'s str. *Peking* left Port Said on the 28th March, and is expected here on the 25th April.

The str. *Indramayo* passed the Suez Canal on the 9th April, and is due here on or about 8th May.

The T.K.K. str. *Hongkong Maru* will be despatched from Callao on the 16th April, for Hongkong, and is expected here on the 23rd May.

The "Mogul" Line str. *Lothian* left United Kingdom on the 13th ult. for Hongkong via the Straits.

The str. *Glenstrae* passed the Suez Canal on the 9th April, and is due here on or about 11th May.

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STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

| FOR | STEAMERS | TO SAIL | REMARKS |
|---|--|-------------------|----------------------------|
| LONDON VIA USUAL PORTS | DELTA | Noon, 13th April. | See Special Advertisement. |
| SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA | PESHAWUR Capt. E. P. Martin, R.N.R. | About 15th April. | Freight only. |
| | BOHEO Capt. W. H. S. Hall | About 20th April. | Freight and Passage. |
| LONDON and ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES | SUMATRA Capt. W. J. Le Mare, R.N.R. | About 17th April. | Freight and Passage. |

For Further Particulars apply to

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 11th April, 1912.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

| FOR | STEAMERS | TO SAIL |
|--|-------------|-----------------------|
| TSINGTAU & NEWCHANG | "SHAOSHING" | On 13th Apr., 4 P.M. |
| SHANGHAI | "ANHUI" | On 13th Apr., 11 P.M. |
| HAIPHONG | "SINGAN" | On 15th Apr., Noon. |
| MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE | "CHANGSHA" | On 22nd Apr., 4 P.M. |

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AND RETURN.

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| STEAMSHIP | CAPTAIN | LEAVING |
|------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|
| "HAIYANG" | Capt. J. W. Evans | TUESDAY, 16th April, at 11 A.M. |
| "HAICHING" | Capt. W. C. Passmore | FRIDAY, 19th April, at 11 A.M. |

FOR SWATOW AND RETURN.
(Occupying 3 Days).

| STEAMSHIP | CAPTAIN | LEAVING |
|-----------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|
| "HAIMUN" | Capt. A. H. Stewart | SUNDAY, 14th April, at 10 A.M. |
| | | WEDNESDAY, 17th April, at 11 A.M. |

Steamers will arrive at and Depart from the Company's Wharf (near Blake Pier).

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Hongkong, 10th April, 1912.

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| FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA | FOR ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & ANTWERP |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| S.S. SITHONIA ... 20th April. | S.S. O. J. D. AHLERS ... 4th May. |
| S.S. ANDALUSIA ... 30th April. | FOR MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG: |
| S.S. BAYERN ... 10th May. | S.S. SACHSEN ... 6th May. |
| | FOR HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG: |
| | S.S. C. FERD. LAEISZ ... 12th May. |
| | FOR MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG: |
| | S.S. SITHONIA ... 27th May. |
| | FOR ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & ANTWERP: |
| | S.S. ARCADIA ... 31st May. |
| | FOR HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG: |
| | S.S. SCANDIA ... 7th June. |

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Hongkong, 13th April, 1912.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

SAN FRANCISCO LINE:—

| STEAMER | CAPTAIN | DATE OF SAILING. |
|-------------|---------------|------------------------------|
| CHIYO MARU | W. W. Greene | TUESDAY, 7th May, Noon. |
| NIPPON MARU | A. G. Stevens | TUESDAY, 28th May, at Noon. |
| TENYO MARU | E. Bent | TUESDAY, 4th June, at Noon. |
| SHINYO MARU | H. S. Smith | TUESDAY, 25th June, at Noon. |

SOUTH AMERICA LINE:—

| STEAMER | TONS | DATE OF SAILING. |
|---------------|--------|-----------------------------|
| HONGKONG MARU | 11,000 | FRIDAY, 7th June, Noon. |
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| BUYO MARU | 10,500 | FRIDAY, 4th Oct., at Noon. |

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|---|----------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|
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| | "SEATTLE MARU" | 6,182 | TUESDAY, 14th May, at 1 P.M. |
| | "CHICAGO MARU" | 6,182 | THURSDAY, 13th June, at 1 P.M. |
| VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI, and YOKOHAMA | "PANAMA MARU" | 6,059 | TUESDAY, 30th April, at 1 P.M. |
| | "MEXICO MARU" | 6,064 | TUESDAY, 28th May, at 1 P.M. |
| | "CANADA MARU" | 6,064 | TUESDAY, 25th June, at 1 P.M. |

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|-----------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------|
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| ANPING via SWATOW and AMOY | "SOSHU MARU" | WEDNESDAY, 17th April, at 10 A.M. |
| FOOCHOW via SWATOW and AMOY | "KAIJO MARU" | WEDNESDAY, 24th April, at Noon. |

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|---------------------------|------|-----------------------|----|---|-------|---|----|--|----|
| Steamer | Tons | 1 P.M. SATURDAY | | Steamer | Tons | SATURDAY | | FRIDAY | |
| DELTA | 8000 | April | 13 | MALOJA | 12500 | May | 11 | May | 17 |
| ASSAYE | 7500 | April | 27 | MONGOLIA | 10000 | May | 25 | May | 31 |
| ORIENTAL | 5284 | May | 11 | MALWA | 11000 | June | 8 | June | 14 |
| DEVANHA | 8000 | May | 25 | CHINA | 8000 | June | 22 | June | 28 |
| DELTA | 8000 | June | 8 | MACEDONIA | 10500 | July | 6 | July | 12 |
| ARCADIA | 7000 | June | 22 | MOREA | 11000 | July | 20 | July | 26 |

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|----------|----------------|------------|
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| NAMUR | 5000 | May 1 |
| PALAWAN | 5000 | May 15 |
| BORNEO | 5000 | May 29 |
| SYRIA | 5000 | June 12 |
| NORE | 7000 | June 26 |

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SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

| DESTINATIONS | STEAMERS | TONS | SAILING DATES. |
|---|-----------------------------------|-------|-------------------------------------|
| MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, PENANG COLOMBO, SUZ and PORT SAID | ATSUTA MARU Capt. J. Nagao | 9,030 | WEDNESDAY, 24th April, at Daylight. |
| | HITACHI MARU Capt. T. Yamawaki | 7,000 | WEDNESDAY, 8th May, at Daylight. |
| VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI, and YOKOHAMA | AWA MARU Capt. I. Izawa | 7,000 | TUESDAY, 23rd April, at Noon. |
| | SADO MARU Capt. K. Asakawa | 7,000 | TUESDAY, 7th May, at Noon. |
| SYDNEY and MELBOURNE via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE | YAWATA MARU Capt. T. Sekine | 6,000 | FRIDAY, 10th May, at Noon. |
| BOMBAY via SINGAPORE, and COLOMBO | WAKASA MARU Capt. N. Nielsen | 7,000 | MONDAY, 15th April. |
| KOBE and YOKOHAMA | KITANO MARU Capt. F. E. Cope | 9,000 | THURSDAY, 25th April. |
| NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA | NIKKO MARU Capt. M. Yagi | 6,000 | WEDNESDAY, 8th May, at Noon. |
| SHANGHAI, MOJI and KOBE | CEYLON MARU Capt. Y. Tozawa | 6,000 | WEDNESDAY, 24th April. |
| KOBE Direct | TENSHIN MARU Capt. T. Hori | 4,000 | SUNDAY, 14th April. |
| TAKOW (FORMOSA) | KAGESHIMA MARU Capt. W. Wade | 5,000 | SATURDAY, 13th April. |

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1912 PASSENGER SEASON 1912

| STEAMER | TONS | CAPTAIN | From Hongkong |
|-------------|-------|-------------|---------------|
| ATSUTA MARU | 9,000 | J. Nagao | April 24th |
| HITACHI | 7,000 | T. Yamawaki | May 8th |
| MIYAKAWA | 9,000 | T. Mura | May 22nd |
| KITANO | 9,000 | F. E. Cope | June 5th |

| STEAMER | TONS | CAPTAIN | From Hongkong |
|----------|-------|------------|---------------|
| AWA MARU | 7,000 | T. Izawa | April 23rd |
| SADO | 7,000 | K. Asakawa | May 7th |
| YOKOHAMA | 7,000 | N. Noda | May 21st |

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Hongkong, 12th April, 1912.

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 Sole Representative for Hongkong and South China
Hugo C. A. Fromm, Hongkong.

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The American Mail, ex Manchuria, is expected to arrive here per German Mail Steamer Lutzow, on Tuesday, the 16th instant.

| FOR | PER | DATE |
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| Holbow, Hainan and Pakhoi... | Hongkong | Saturday, 13th, 9.00 A.M. |
| Hainan and Pakhoi... | Carl Diederichsen | Saturday, 13th, 9.00 A.M. |
| Fort Bayard... | Satohony | Saturday, 13th, 9.00 A.M. |
| Swatow... | Choising... | Saturday, 13th, 9.00 A.M. |
| Straits, Borneo and India via Calcutta... | Mitke Maru | Saturday, 13th, 10.00 A.M. |
| STRAITS, BURMAH, CEYLON, ADELAIDE, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, and EUROPE via BEIRUT (Late Letters 11.00 to Noon. Extra Postage 10 cents.) | | Saturday, 13th, 10.00 A.M. |
| (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) | | |
| Philippine Islands... | Loongang... | Saturday, 13th, 1.00 P.M. |
| Swatow... | Sui Tai | Saturday, 13th, 1.15 P.M. |
| Shanghai and North China... | Gregory Apour | Saturday, 13th, 2.00 P.M. |
| Fort Bayard... | American... | Saturday, 13th, 2.30 P.M. |
| Swatow via Keelung... | Yerimo Maru | Saturday, 13th, 3.00 P.M. |
| Swatow... | Laertes | Saturday, 13th, 3.00 P.M. |
| Swatow... | Shapshing | Saturday, 13th, 3.00 P.M. |
| Swatow... | Taitan... | Saturday, 13th, 3.00 P.M. |
| Swatow... | Choyang... | Saturday, 13th, 5.00 P.M. |
| Shanghai and North China (EUROPE VIA SIBERIA) | Anhui | Registration 5.00 P.M. Letters 6.00 P.M. |
| Swatow, Amoy and Formosa... | Daijin Maru | Sunday, 14th, 9.00 A.M. |
| Swatow... | Hagor... | Sunday, 14th, 9.00 A.M. |
| Straits and Borneo... | Wardha | Monday, 15th, 11.00 A.M. |
| Hainan and Pakhoi... | Singon... | Monday, 15th, 11.00 A.M. |
| Swatow... | Sui Tai | Monday, 15th, 1.15 P.M. |
| Japan via Yokohama... | Fukata | Monday, 15th, 5.00 P.M. |
| Swatow, Amoy, Formosa and Focchow... | Haiyang | Tuesday, 16th, 10.00 A.M. |
| Tientsin... | Chipsing... | Tuesday, 16th, 10.00 A.M. |
| Batavia, Samarang and Sourabaya... | Tyitarom... | Tuesday, 16th, 10.00 A.M. |
| JAPAN, VIA NAGASAKI, VICTORIA, B.C., and UNITED STATES VIA TACOMA | Tacoma Maru | Tuesday, 16th, 11.00 A.M. |
| Macao... | Sui Tai | Tuesday, 16th, 1.15 P.M. |
| SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA, JAPAN, HONGKONG, UNITED STATES, CANADA AND SOUTH AMERICA VIA SAN FRANCISCO (EUROPE VIA SIBERIA) | Siberia... | Registration 10.15 A.M. (Registration with late fee of 10 cents, up to 11.00 A.M.) Registration B.O. 9.30 A.M. No late fee Letters 11.00 A.M. |
| Philippine Islands... | Teau | Tuesday, 16th, 3.00 P.M. |
| Swatow, Amoy and Formosa... | Sosku Maru | Wednesday, 17th, 9.00 A.M. |
| Swatow... | Batum... | Wednesday, 17th, 10.00 A.M. |
| STRAITS, BURMAH, CEYLON, ADELAIDE, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT and EUROPE via NARLES (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) (Late Letters 11 A.M. to 11.30 A.M. Extra postage 10 cents.) | | Registration 10.00 A.M. (Registration with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.) Registration B.O. 9.30 A.M. No late fee Letters 11.00 A.M. |
| Swatow, Amoy, Formosa and Focchow Japan via Mojil and South America | Naiching... | Friday, 19th, 10.00 A.M. |
| Philippine Islands, Angaur, Yap, Friedrich Wilhelmshafen, Rabaul, Herbertshohe, Matupi, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane | Prinz Waldemar... | Saturday, 20th, 8.00 A.M. |

COMMERCIAL

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

April 12th.

| | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|
| ON LONDON: | |
| Telegraphic Transfer | 1/11 1/2 |
| Bank Bills, on demand | 1/11 1/2 |
| Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight | 1/11 1/2 |
| Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight | 1/11 1/2 |
| Credit, at 4 months' sight | 1/11 1/2 |
| Documentary Bills 4 months' sight | 1/11 1/2 |
| ON PARIS: | |
| Bank Bills, on demand | 245 |
| Credit, at 4 months' sight | 249 1/2 |
| ON GERMANY: | |
| On demand | 199 1/2 |
| ON NEW YORK: | |
| Bank Bills, on demand | 47 1/2 |
| Credit, at 60 days' sight | 48 1/2 |
| ON BOMBAY: | |
| Telegraphic Transfer | 144 1/2 |
| Bank, on demand | 145 |
| ON CALCUTTA: | |
| Telegraphic Transfer | 144 1/2 |
| Bank, on demand | 145 |
| ON SHANGHAI: | |
| Bank, at sight | 72 1/2 |
| Private, 30 days' sight | 73 1/2 |
| ON YOKOHAMA: | |
| On demand | 95 1/2 |
| ON MANILA: | |
| On demand | 82 1/2 |
| ON BATAVIA: | |
| On demand | 110 1/2 |
| ON HAIKONG: | |
| On demand | 1 1/2 p.m. |
| ON SAIGON: | |
| On demand | 79 1/2 |
| ON HONGKONG: | |
| Bank's Buying Rate | \$10.25 |
| GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tola | \$55.60 |
| SILVER, per oz. | 27 |

SUBSIDIARY COINS

| | | |
|----------|----------------|-----------------|
| Chinese | 20 cents piece | per cent |
| Chinese | 10 " | \$5.60 discount |
| Hongkong | 10 " | \$7.50 " |
| Hongkong | 10 " | \$5.50 " |
| Hongkong | 10 " | \$7.25 " |

MAILS VIA SIBERIA

| Date | Due |
|-------------|-------------|
| March 23rd. | Shanghai |
| March 27th. | April 12th. |

SHARE LIST—QUOTATIONS. HONGKONG, APRIL 12TH, 1912.

| STOCKS. | NO. OF SHARES. | VALUE. | PAID UP. | UNPAID QUOTA-TIONS CASH. |
|--|----------------|----------|----------|-------------------------------|
| BANKS. | | | | |
| Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation | 120,000 | \$125 | all | \$850 |
| China Borneo Company, Limited | 60,000 | \$12 | all | \$10, buyers |
| China Light and Power Company, Limited | 50,000 | \$5 | all | \$1 1/2, buyers |
| China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd. | 200,000 | \$10 | all | \$8, buyers |
| COTTON MILLS. | | | | |
| Ewo Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd. | 30,000 | Tls. 50 | all | Tls. 91 |
| Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd. | 125,000 | \$10 | all | \$5 |
| Dairy Farm Company, Limited | 40,000 | \$7 1/2 | all | \$20 1/2 |
| DOCKERS AND WHARVES. | | | | |
| Whong & Kowloon Wharf & G. Co., Ltd. | 60,000 | \$50 | all | \$57, sales |
| Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd. | 50,000 | \$50 | all | \$45, buyers |
| New Amoy Dock Co., Limited | 10,000 | \$6 1/2 | all | \$6 1/2, buyers |
| Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd. | 55,700 | Tls. 100 | all | Tls. 54 |
| Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co., Ltd. | 36,000 | Tls. 100 | all | Tls. 82 1/2 |
| Green Island Cement Co., Limited | 400,000 | \$10 | all | \$5, sellers |
| Hongkong Electric Co., Limited | 60,000 | \$10 | all | \$22, sales |
| Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited | 12,000 | \$50 1/2 | all | \$109 |
| Manila Metropole Hotel Limited | 15,000 | Pa. 10 | all | \$29 |
| Hongkong Ice Company, Limited | 50,000 | \$10 | all | \$205 |
| Hongkong Ropes Manufacturing Co., Limited | 60,000 | \$10 | all | \$18, buyers |
| Hongkong & South China Steam Fisheries Co., Ltd. | 15,000 | \$10 | all | \$7 1/2, buyers |
| INSURANCES. | | | | |
| Canton Insurance Office Co., Limited | 10,000 | \$250 | \$50 | \$205, buyers |
| China Fire Insurance Co., Limited | 20,000 | \$100 | \$20 | \$129, buyers |
| China Traders Insurance Co., Limited | 24,000 | \$83.33 | \$25 | \$105 |
| Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited | 8,000 | \$250 | \$50 | \$333, buyers |
| North-China Insurance Co., Limited | 10,000 | \$15 | \$5 | Tls. 145, buyers |
| Union Insurance Society, Limited | 12,400 | \$250 | \$100 | \$870, buyers |
| Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited | 12,000 | \$100 | \$50 | \$210, Ex 73 |
| LANDS AND ESTATES. | | | | |
| Hongkong Land Investment Agency Co., Ltd. | 50,000 | \$100 | all | \$102, buyers |
| Humphreys' Estate and Finance Co., Ltd. | 150,000 | \$10 | all | \$73, buyers |
| Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd. | 6,000 | \$50 | all | \$34 1/2 |
| Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited | 78,000 | Tls. 50 | all | Tls. 88 |
| West Point Building Co., Limited | 12,500 | \$50 | all | \$53 1/2, buyers |
| Mastechapilly tot Miya, Bosc-on | 25,000 | Gds. 10 | all | Tls. 72 1/2, buyers |
| MINING. | | | | |
| Chinese Engineering and M. Co., Ltd. | 1,000,000 | \$1 | all | 37 1/2, buyers |
| Fronech Mines, Limited | 150,000 | \$1 | all | 7 1/2, buyers |
| Heawood Tin and Rubber Estates, Ltd. | 715,280 | 2 1/2 | all | 5 1/2, sellers |
| Kant Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd. | 200,000 | \$1 | all | \$4 |
| Peak Tramways Co., Limited | 25,000 | \$10 | all | \$12 1/2, sales |
| Philippine Co., Limited | 50,000 | \$10 | all | \$1.20, sales |
| Phosphate Co., Limited | 75,000 | \$10 | all | \$5, buyers |
| REFINERIES. | | | | |
| China Sugar Refining Co., Limited | 20,000 | \$100 | all | \$108 |
| Luon Sugar Refining Co., Limited | 7,000 | \$100 | all | \$31, sales |
| STEAMSHIP COMPANIES. | | | | |
| China and Malacca Steamship Co., Ltd. | 30,000 | \$25 | all | \$11 1/2, sellers |
| Douglas Steamship Co., Limited | 20,000 | \$50 | all | \$21 |
| Hongkong, Canton & Macao S.B. Co., Ltd. | 80,000 | \$15 | all | \$26 1/2, buyers |
| Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. | 60,000 pref. | \$5 | all | \$76 1/2, L'don. sol. £7.15s. |
| Shell Transport & Trading Co., Limited | 60,000 def. | \$1 | all | \$29, buyers |
| Star Ferry Company, Limited | 10,000 | \$10 | all | \$18, buyers |
| South China Morning Post, Limited | 6,000 | \$25 | all | \$22 |
| Steam Laundry Company, Limited | 20,000 | \$5 | all | \$6, sellers |
| STORES AND DISPENSARIES. | | | | |
| Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited | 1,200 | \$10 | all | \$25 |
| Wm. Powell, Limited | 15,000 | \$7 | all | \$5, buyers |
| Watkins, Limited | 10,000 | \$10 | all | \$3 |
| A. S. Watson & Co., Limited | 20,000 | \$10 | all | \$5 1/2, sales |
| Weissmann, Limited | 3,000 | \$10 | all | \$15, buyers |
| Gande Price & Co., Ltd. | 50,000 | \$10 | all | \$12, buyers |
| Societe des Papiers et Papeteries du Tonkin | 13,200 | \$50 | all | \$40, sales |
| Hongkong Steel Foundry Co., Ltd. | 15,000 | \$10 | all | \$10 |
| United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited | 9,900 ordy. | \$10 | all | \$4, \$10. |
| United Waterboat Co., Limited | 100 fders | \$10 | all | \$300. |
| TELEPHONE. | | | | |
| Telephone Co., Limited | 50,000 | \$10 | all | \$7 1/2 |

Daily Wire

| Loans. | Amount. | Value. | Interest. | Quotation. |
|-----------------------|--------------|----------|----------------|------------|
| Chinese Imperial 1896 | Tls. 767,200 | Tls. 250 | 7 1/2 p. annum | Par. |

TO-DAY

3.30 P.M.—Gymkhana First Meeting at Happy Valley.

TO-NIGHT

9.15 P.M.—Bandmann Opera Co. at the Theatre Royal—"The Mousme."

FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

Saturday, 20th April—Hongkong Football Club Annual Dinner in the Hongkong Hotel, 7.45 P.M.

Tuesday, 23rd April—Thirty-Ninth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., Noon.

Tuesday, 23rd April—Forty-Sixth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of China Traders Insurance Co., Ltd., 12.30 P.M.

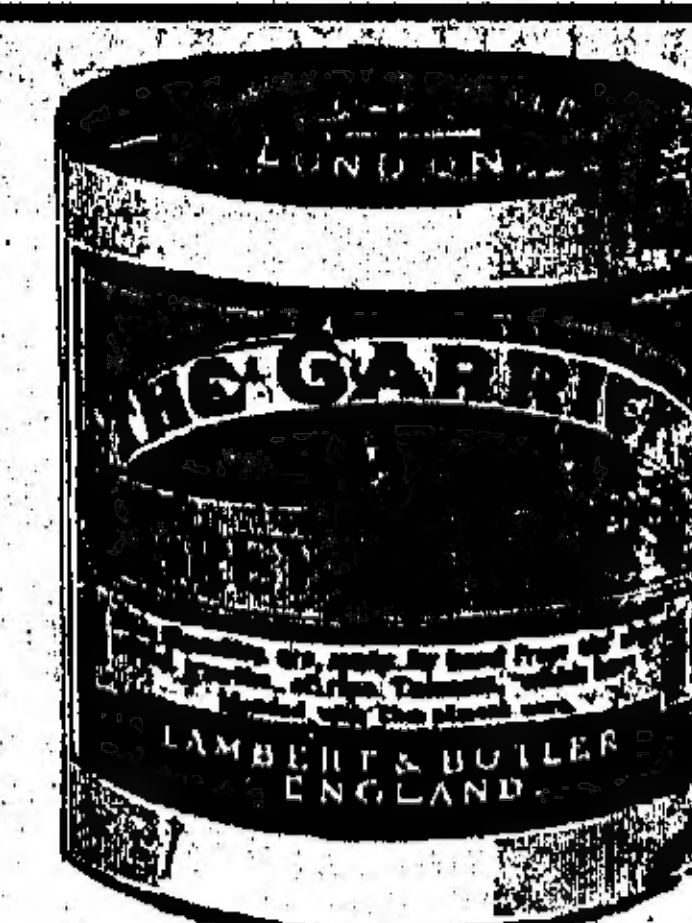
QUOTATIONS

| Malwa New | Value. |
|----------------------|--------------------------|
| Malwa New | \$3,425/3,450 per picul. |
| Malwa Old | \$3,470/3,490 " |
| Malwa Older | \$3,500/3,525 " |
| Malwa V. Old | \$3,550/3,575 " |
| Persian fine quality | \$3,600 " |
| Persian extra fine | \$4,000 " |
| Patna New | \$4,000 per chest. |
| Patna Old | \$3,900 " |
| Benares New | \$4,000 " |
| Benares Old | \$3,900 " |

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